
From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Sunday, March 25, 2001 1:27 PM
To: Jmgop [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Update on AS/IA postion

I think they are moving faster than that, according to my sources. I saw Rove last night at the Gridiron dinner and told him he has to intervene in this if possible.

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Sunday, March 25, 2001 11:06 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Update on AS/IA postion

Well, we should know something in the next few weeks if they stick by the schedule they shared with me.

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Friday, April 27, 2001 8:45 AM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: Re: Qatar update II

Importance: High

Rove said no. Thanks susan.

Jack Abramoff

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov) <ring[REDACTED]>
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) <abramoff[REDACTED]>; Miller, James F. (Shld-DC-Legis)
<[REDACTED]>; Shiffman, Gary (Dir-DC-Gov/Adm) <[REDACTED]>; Boulanger,
Todd (Dir-DC-Gov) <[REDACTED]>; Chesterman, Tracie (Assoc-DC-TelCom)
<[REDACTED]>; Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov) <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Fri Apr 27 09:44:21 2001
Subject: Qatar update II

Since my last note, things haven't improved. [REDACTED] declined to meet, and no one else has said yes. Please follow-up with your contacts today.

Cheney: Still waiting to hear back. (KR)

[REDACTED] Meeting is set. (TB) (Not clear if we are getting credit for this one)

[REDACTED]: Still waiting to hear back. (JM)

[REDACTED] Still waiting to hear back. (TR)

Rove: Still waiting to hear back. (JA)

[REDACTED]: No. (TC)

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2001 9:11 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: FW: Qatar

Nu?

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]ralston@aol.com [mailto:[redacted]ralston@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2001 7:34 PM
To: abramoff [redacted]
Subject: Re: Qatar

I will check w/Karl.

SR

In a message dated Tue, 24 Apr 2001 7:49:06 AM Eastern Daylight Time, abramoffj@gtlaw.com writes: << Hi Susan. Per our discussion yesterday, Khalid Safuri saw Karl on a plane and asked if Karl would be willing to meet with the Foreign Minister of Qatar (who is the de facto ruler of the country) when he is here between April 30 and May 3. Karl indicated that the request had to go to the State Department, which the Embassy has now done in a letter dated April 20. I just wanted to confirm with you that he would be in town and to see, very tentatively, if we could mark a place in Karl's calendar so we can schedule the Foreign Minister's other meetings (with Senators and cabinet officials) around the meeting with Karl. Please let me know, if you can, when this meeting would most likely take place. Thanks.

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From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 1999 10:38 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Karl Rove

No problem. I am not in a rush. See you tomorrow.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ralph E. Reed, Jr. [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 1999 7:03 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: RE: Karl Rove

Hang in there. He's swamped right now but I want you in now.

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC) [SMTP:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 1999 6:54 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Karl Rove

Sounds good. I called, he called back. I called him again, he has not called me back yet. See you tomorrow.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ralph E. Reed, Jr. [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 1999 4:35 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: Karl Rove

Did you and Karl chat? I am planning to get Ballabon down to meet with the Governor in the next month or two and I'd like to do the same with you.

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoffj] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2002 12:03 PM
To: Bozniak, Allison R. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm)
Subject: FW: CRs

Please get the tix for the 11/9 Caps game in the suite to Susan Ralston, along with parking (save two for me though).

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2002 11:59 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: CRs

11/9

Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to ralston@georgewbush.com -----Original Message-----
From: abramoff [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tue Jul 30 10:23:49 2002
Subject: RE: CRs

I think I know him, but am not sure. either way, let me know which date you want and it's yours!

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2002 10:01 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: CRs

Yes but didn't want to assume. Do you know Dan Mintz? He is organizing Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to ralston@georgewbush.com -----Original Message-----
From: abramoff [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tue Jul 30 10:01:06 2002
Subject: RE: CRs

Can't I donate it? I was a CR too, don't forget! :) either way, it's theirs. The 9th is a great hockey game against the Flyers, but the 16th is a Wizards game (not as much fun from the box).

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2002 7:54 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: CRs

KR's class of college republicans are interested in renting a suite for a hockey game on a sat night in nov, either 11/9 or 11/16. Would you have the suite available to buy and how much? Susan Ralston

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GTIAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2002 12:00 PM
To: Bowers, Holly M. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm)
Subject: FW: FW: Tix

Can we stuff 2 more into the box for Springsteen? I hope so. Mark Zacharas needs 2.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2002 9:53 AM
To: [REDACTED] abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: FW: Tix

Eyl, my guest for Springsteen is annissa mcdonald in blunt's office, plus spouses. Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com -----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Fri Jul 26 19:02:17 2002
Subject: RE: FW: Tix

Hi Susan. Where would you like me to send the tix? I can send the O's tix right away, but we don't have the Springsteen tix yet. Let me know. Thanks. Holly -----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2002 6:55 PM
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB
Cc: Bowers, Holly M. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm)
Subject: RE: FW: Tix

Done. Holly, please work with Susan to get them to her.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2002 6:39 PM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: FW: Tix

Need 4 for O's on 8/23 and 4 for Springsteen if possible
Susan Ralston

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From: abramoff [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Fri Jul 26 13:46:20 2002
Subject: FW: Tix

We can do 23rd or 24th for the O's no problem. The Springsteen concert is tight, but I can fit you in. do you need 2 or 4? I am not sure of the date.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2002 7:25 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Tix

- 1) is bruce springsteen coming to dc?
- 2) do you have 2-4 orioles tix for sometime 8/22-24?

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Saturday, August 24, 2002 9:54 PM
To: Bowers, Holly M. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm); Bozniak, Allison R. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm)
Subject: FW: O's

We are ordering too much food, which costs me money. Please be mindful about this.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 24, 2002 9:01 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: O's

Thanks for the tix to the game last night. Our guests had a terrific time. Just wanted to note that too much food was ordered and I hate to see things wasted. It was all so good but too much. Could have gone w/o the chicken and cut back on the beef. Way too much desert. 6 carmel apples left over. Hope that's helpful. Again, we had fun and appreciate your generosity. Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to ralston@georgewbush.com

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GTLAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, October 09, 2002 11:52 PM
To: Ken Mehlman (GWB)
Subject: FW: Endorsements

Ken, this is from the Lt. Gov candidate in Guam (on behalf of the Republican ticket) can we get a statement from the President, or – I am probably asking for too much! – a recorded something which they can play in their ads? Thanks for anything you guys can do.

-----Original Message-----

From: Kaleo S. Moylan [mailto:████████████████████]
Sent: Wednesday, October 09, 2002 6:16 PM
To: abramoff ████████████████████
Subject: Endorsements

Hafa Adai, Jack

I understand that this late in the game it would be difficult at best to secure a photo op with the President. Given that we are 27 days away from our general election date it would be impossible for us to leave. However, we welcome any chance to that the President and Vice-President could make a TV endorsement of our campaign. I believe that would be more effective for us. If this is possible please let me know. And do our media people need to create the spot or do they have canned endorsements already.

Thanks again for all your help.

Regards,

Kaleo

5/7/2004

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2002 8:17 AM
To: 'Susan Ralston'
Subject: RE: Mehlman

The only one who I had contact with (at the RNC, not WH) was Jack Oliver, who originally was my contact point, and he put me to Terry Nelson. I am happy for Ken to be the guy, but I would appreciate if they could hurry up since the election is less than 2 weeks away! Thanks Susan.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2002 8:04 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Mehlman

Ken asked me to let you know that he has the quote to be approved for your Guam candidates. Everyone would appreciate it if you would contact Ken only and not others here at the WH because they just forward it to him anyway. Too many cooks...

Susan Ralston

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GTLAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Sunday, November 24, 2002 1:40 PM
To: [REDACTED]ralston@aol.com
Subject: RE: Roll-Ups

I'll digest this as soon as I can spend some time, but skimming to the bottom, I am not in a position to offer you serious money for this right now. This is the kind of deal which is going to require some development before there are real funds to spend on principal salaries. Perhaps we should wait until 2005.

—Original Message—

From: [REDACTED]ralston@aol.com [mailto:[REDACTED]ralston@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, November 24, 2002 12:06 PM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Roll-Ups

Random thoughts:

Business Plan: One of the crucial missing pieces in previous unsuccessful roll-ups was a cohesive business plan. Roll-ups took smaller companies and combined them into one large company without taking into account how those individual companies (each with their own business philosophy, culture, accounting and HR methods) could be successfully integrated. There are some spectacular failures and as a result, I think investors are wary. A business plan will need to be developed that carefully maps out a strategy. In addition, we need to carefully map out the specs of target acquisitions and determine the overarching business philosophy.

Operations: I can look out for your business interests but lack the experience to run the day-to-day operations of a defense company. Who would do this? Who is the CEO?

Timing: The creation of the new Homeland Security agency has created a rush to get lucrative government contracts. A lot of foreign companies (such as Siemens) are already capitalizing on this opportunity. Time is of the essence but at the same time, I don't believe this can be done quickly.

Logistics: Because this will take a lot of upfront research and ground work before coming to existence, how do you propose to account and pay for my time? Do we create an entity and if so, what is the structure? Limited partners...but at what ownership distribution? Am I a consultant, and if so, who pays me?

Profits: This doesn't strike me as a short-term money making venture so you have to be committed for the long haul. Are you prepared to spend a significant amount of time in running a business like this or do you just want to be a capital contributor?

Investment Bankers: Who has relationships w/ investment bankers and which ones?

My commitment: Karl and I have discussed my role in the 2004 reelection campaign so for the time being, I'm committed to the WH. It would take a significant amount of money for me to be lured away so unless you're really serious and can make it worth my while, let's wait until 2005.

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5/8/2004

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2002 6:45 PM
To: 'Susan Ralston'
Subject: RE: FW: U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2002 6:42 PM
To: abramoff
Subject: Re: FW: U.S. Court of Federal Claims
Importance: High

Yes.

Susan Ralston

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-----Original Message-----

From: abramoff
To: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wed Nov 20 16:21:34 2002
Subject: FW: U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Hi Susan. Harvey Sherzer from our office is close to Shelly Kamins and me and an activist Jewish Republican. He is one of the finalists for the open slot on the US Court of Federal Claims. Shelly was going to call over to Karl on this as well. can you pass on to him that both of us hope Harvey would be considered? Thanks so much.

<<Harvey Sherzer.htm>>

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2002 8:53 PM
To: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Felix camacho

I agree, but I hate these fucking ingrates. I told cherokee to come up with the dough or prepare for another trail of tears!!! :)

-----Original Message-----

From: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2002 9:40 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Re: Felix camacho

Haha. Unbelievable. You know, we may be pretty expensive, but the bottomline is that we get the job done. The SagChips are trying to throw more money at us and we didn't even ask for it....hohoo.

Did you really tell a tribe off?

We should take guam regardless....we can make a few hires and do the work with our eyes closed.

Todd Anthony Boulanger

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [REDACTED]
To: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov) [REDACTED]
Sent: Tue Nov 19 21:33:50 2002
Subject: FW: Felix camacho

I met with his staffer tonight (!!!!). the fucking mother fucker didn't even have the courtesy to call me or meet with me himself. I told the little twerp that they are off to a rip roaring start, with losers aplenty helping them. he basically told me that they too have concluded that everyone is a bullshitter here and that they want to hire us. I said 'I am not sure you can afford us and frankly, I am none too happy by this little parade'. He kept pushing, obviously having been given orders to tie up something. He is going to send me their wish list. I told him that we don't charge anything less than six figures per month and that I just got done telling the biggest indian tribe in the midwest to fuck off since they wanted a slight discount. Let's see what these pieces of shit say. I am fucking pissed. What disrespect.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2002 4:45 PM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Felix camacho

Sends his regards

Susan Ralston

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GTLAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2002 10:40 PM
To: 'Susan Ralston'
Subject: RE: Thanks

Thanks. same to you guys.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2002 10:17 PM
To: abramoff [redacted]
Subject: Thanks

We had a great time at the game. Thanks for the tix. Happy thanksgiving!

Susan Ralston

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoffj] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, November 26, 2002 7:03 AM
To: Bozniak, Allison R. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm); Bowers, Holly M. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm); Boice, Jennifer (AdmAst-DC-AdGov)
Subject: FW: MCI

Can you get her the 121A's and one parking for the 27th? I'll take all the 101A's and 101C's, and parking. also, please make sure I get parking for the 30th as well.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 26, 2002 6:25 AM
To: abramoff [redacted]
Subject: RE: MCI

Can I get them today or tomorrow?
Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com -----Original Message-----
From: abramoff [redacted]
To: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Sat Nov 23 18:20:01 2002
Subject: RE: MCI

Don't have them with me at home. we'll get them to you on Monday.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Friday, November 22, 2002 4:54 PM
To: abramoff [redacted]
Subject: RE: MCI

We'd like to take them. Will you bring Sat?
Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com -----Original Message-----
From: abramoff [redacted]
To: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Fri Nov 22 16:44:28 2002
Subject: RE: MCI

Hockey. Calgary 7 pm

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Friday, November 22, 2002 9:34 AM
To: abramoff [redacted]
Subject: RE: MCI

On the 27th, is that hockey or bball? Time and opponent?
Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com -----Original Message-----
From: abramoff [redacted]
To: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Fri Nov 22 09:32:04 2002
Subject: RE: MCI

Yes on the 27th. Not sure on the 30th. I think they are already gone. Would 2 work on the 30th? That might be possible. if not, the suite is probably open. Just let me know.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Friday, November 22, 2002 6:54 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: MCI

Do you have ice seats or courtside seats for 3 or 4 on wed, 11/27 to sun, 11/30? Susan Ralston

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoffj] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, November 25, 2002 11:35 PM
To: Sherzer, Harvey (Shld-TCO-Gov)
Subject: RE: Status

Word back from rove's office is that he is going to weigh in! let's keep our fingers crossed.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sherzer, Harvey (Shld-TCO-Gov)
Sent: Monday, November 25, 2002 1:04 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Status

Jack: Any news? My info. from the White House counsel (Noel Francisco) is that I should have all expressions of interest in to him by tomorrow, so I surmise the committee is meeting right after Thanksgiving to decide who to recommend to the President (they're probably reviewing many judicial openings at one time). If there is anything else you or your staff can do, this is the time. Many thanks for everything regardless of how this turns out! Have a great Thanksgiving. Harvey

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2002 8:32 PM
To: Sherzer, Harvey (Shld-TCO-Gov)
Subject: RE: Status

The letter is perfect. I did speak with Shelly, and then called Karl's office. Susan is going to make sure he gets your resume and tries to do something. I think that's the best we can get right now from him, since he is running in a million directions. We are still working the Hill. My guys are pushing [REDACTED] to do something, but are not getting a signal that he wants to weigh in on this court. He has bigger fish to fry (supremes, etc.) or so they hear. We're also pursuing [REDACTED] We'll keep going.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sherzer, Harvey (Shld-TCO-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2002 5:48 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Status
Importance: High

Jack: I feel I'm taking your valuable time and I'm sorry about that. I've tried to assist others along the way in my career and now I'm in the uncomfortable position of asking busy people like you to take action on my behalf. Thanks. I mean it.

Shelly told me that he spoke to Noel Francisco, the lawyer in the White House Counsel's Office who interviewed me. Noel asked Shelly to send him a letter, and Shelly asked me to draft up some suggested paras. I'm sending this to you since I thought that the substance of the paras. would be of interest to you since they tell what distinguishes me from other, also qualified candidates. Please take a look at the second para. below.

Shelly told Noel that he was scheduled to have lunch with Karl Rove on Dec. 17 and would bring this to Karl's attention. Noel apparently said that that would be too late. I believe Shelly said that he then called you, since Shelly felt that you have a much better chance of getting through to Karl promptly than he does.

You just need to glance at the draft letter below. Thanks again.

Dear Noel:

Thank you for taking my call today. ***** Shelly, this is where you need to take the advice you've given me. Don't be

modest! Give Noel your connect-up with the Republican Party, this Administration, the state party in MD, etc. *****

I have been involved in many campaigns and have had the pleasure of expressing support for any number of individuals that the President was considering for Ambassadorships and other positions. Frankly, I have not had occasion to offer support for an individual under consideration by the President for a nomination to a federal court. It is my pleasure, therefore, that the first such person is Harvey Sherzer. I have gotten to know Harvey and his family very well through work their work in support of the Republican Jewish Coalition and of various charitable causes. As you may have heard from others, Harvey is extremely well known and highly regarded in his field. He is one of the country's recognized experts in Government contracting; in fact, Harvey's interest in national security issues was the driver that caused him to get actively involved in Republican politics. Since the Court of Federal Claims hears and decides cases involving federal Government contracts, the Bush Administration would be wise to nominate an individual such as Harvey to the Court of Federal Claims who reflects the sound policies of the Administration and who has the substantive background and experience necessary for the substantive work of the court. I know that there have been many qualified nominees for positions on the court, and undoubtedly there are other qualified candidates for this opening; however, I believe that Harvey is uniquely qualified, indeed even essential to the court, in this era where homeland security and national defense are predominant concerns. The court needs among its members a nationally recognized authority in the field.

Personally, I can tell you that Harvey is an individual of the highest integrity, who stands up for his principles and can make tough decisions. He has been in management positions both at his prior law firm, where he headed a large group of lawyers, and at his present firm, where he is the national chairman of the firm's Government contracts practice.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Karl Rove, since you indicated that this is proceeding rapidly; perhaps you may want to mention that I brought this to your attention; since you may see him before I do. More importantly, I want to thank you again for doing what I know is a difficult job and assuring that the important work of this administration moves forward. Please feel free to call me if there is any other information that I can provide to you.

Sincerely,

Sheldon B. Kamins

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2002 6:45 PM
To: [REDACTED]ralston@aol.com
Subject: RE: FW: Plane Project

By the way, thanks for helping Mark Zachares. He is a great guy and I really appreciate your helping with this. you are wonderful.

—Original Message—

From: [REDACTED]ralston@aol.com [mailto:[REDACTED]ralston@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2002 1:34 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: FW: Plane Project

So how do you quantify the demand? Can you target a specific area, whether in Europe or elsewhere in the world, that needs this service but can't get it now?

On a completely different project I'm working on, do you know anyone in the patent industry? Still working on the research but feel we've identified a hugely underserved market. I'd like to talk w/ as many people as possible so if you know anyone, would appreciate a contact.

SR

In a message dated 2/19/02 9:01:54 AM Eastern Standard Time, [REDACTED]com writes:

Subj: FW: Plane Project
Date: 2/19/02 9:01:54 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: [REDACTED] (Ben Waldman)
Reply-to: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]ralston@aol.com
CC: abramoff [REDACTED]

Susan,

Part of the problem with a private charter service in Israel is the security issues of owning a plane in that region. The insurance costs are very high for all assets, but private jet insurance is extremely high. Pilots and maintenance are no problem. Israel probably has the highest number of trained jet pilots per capita in the world. Lufthansa and other major airlines fly their planes to Israel for regularly scheduled maintenance and engine overhaul. In fact, Israel does a big business in the refurbishment of Boeing 737's and Russian commercial jet airliners.

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 9:22 AM
To: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: [REDACTED]

yes

-----Original Message-----

From: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 10:19 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: [REDACTED]

Can some of your buddies that go to the Grover meetings give him a call and say "not on our watch."

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 10:18 AM
To: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: [REDACTED]

Good thought.

-----Original Message-----

From: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 9:57 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: [REDACTED]

We need some of the crazies to call Mehlman.

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 9:55 AM
To: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: [REDACTED]

Ralph is chatting with him daily. Don't tell the guys this since I want them to hit him too.

-----Original Message-----

From: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 9:42 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Leger, Stephanie K. (Assoc-DC-Gov/Adm)
Subject: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] meeting with Rove on Tuesday. This meeting is confirmed. Just an fyi. If there are anyways to "bolster" Mehlman before that time, than we should do it.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:[REDACTED]Ralston@nchq.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 9:35 AM
To: boulange [REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED]

Thanks for breakfast. I showed KR the binder and gave him a quick brief so he is aware. He gave the binder to Mehlman to read cover to cover and to be prepared. Mehlman will be at the meeting.

Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to ralston@georgewbush.com

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2002 3:25 PM
To: Ralph E. Reed, Jr.
Subject: Rove

We need to get his shop to communicate in no uncertain terms to Norton that, when she meets with Foster, she must tell him that she will NOT approve the gambling compact and has been so instructed from the WH. He is coming to lobby her.

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2002 8:16 AM
To: Ralph Reed
Subject: RE: (no subject)

Checks being cut today

—Original Message—

From: Ralph Reed [mailto:]
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2002 9:05 AM
To: 'abramoff'
Subject: RE: (no subject)

the calls have been or are being placed as we speak. will provide info as we get reports back. we're in overdrive.

—Original Message—

From: abramoff
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2002 8:35 AM
To: Ralph Reed
Subject: FW: (no subject)

Ralph, any updates on the national Christian leaders contacting Rove, Norton et al?

Governor goes right to source

WHEN THE governor tracks you down at home, you know there's a problem. "Mr. Beam, would you please hold for Gov. Mike Foster?" the woman asked after I picked up the telephone Thursday and identified myself.

I realized the column I had written for that day's paper about the governor signing a secret gambling compact with the Jena Choctaws would get some reaction. However, I had no idea the big man himself would call.

"JIM, I'm calling about a mistake in your column today," Foster said. "You said I hadn't talked to local officials, and that isn't true. Your legislators knew what I was doing."

The governor's comment caught me off guard because there was every indication from our legislators that they didn't know Foster had signed on the dotted line. Some of them said after the compact was signed that they knew the governor was talking with the Choctaws about opening an Indian casino in Vinton, but Foster had asked them to keep the negotiations under wraps.

State Rep. Vic Stelly, R-Moss Bluff, a spokesman for the local legislative delegation, said he learned about the Choctaws' plans after he was contacted by a political consultant. He said he then called the governor.

"His (Foster's) exact words were, 'Vic, you can tell the rest of the delegation, but please don't make a big deal out of it. We'd rather be able to do our negotiations with the Bureau of Indian Affairs without it all hitting the fan.' We honored his request," Stelly said.

"I didn't know that he had actually signed it (the compact), but I knew he was considering it," Stelly said. "I also knew that there were some ticklish negotiations going on because I knew, frankly, he had tried to get as much as he could."

State Rep. Ronnie Johns, R-Sulphur, said last week, "We didn't have any idea the governor was going to sign the

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GTLAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Friday, March 22, 2002 10:17 AM
To: 'Lowe, George'
Subject: RE: HI George

I would be delighted to raise this with Karl Rove and Ken Mehlman. Get me the info and your resume and I'll take care of it.

-----Original Message-----

From: Lowe, George [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, March 22, 2002 10:16 AM
To: 'abramoff [REDACTED]'
Subject: RE: HI George

JA:

I have requested my accountant to retrieve those records. I should have for you in the next few days.

Also, I want to chat with you regarding a position which will be coming available over at treasury, specifically the Ass't Sec'y for Financial Institutions. I have a fair amount of support on the House/Senate side, including the Chair [I think, according to my Dem friends], but need some help in the political office at the WH. Any thoughts.

-----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [REDACTED] [mailto:abramoff [REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2002 7:36 PM
To: glowe [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: HI George

-----Original Message-----

From: Ben Waldman [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2002 7:27 PM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: HI George

I believe we were in his office from approximately September 1999 through April 2000.

-----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [REDACTED] [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2002 7:20 PM
To: ben [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: HI George

Do you remember the dates?

-----Original Message-----

From: Lowe, George [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2002 10:10 AM
To: 'abramoff [REDACTED]'
Subject: RE: HI George

Jack:

I will pull the statements this weekend. I think that it was during the mid portion of

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GTILAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2002 5:24 PM
To: 'Susan Ralston - @GWB'
Subject: RE: HI Susan

Sounds great.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2002 11:21 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: HI Susan

He had a good time at both the restaurant and the game.

I'm working on my business plan project for school. It is consuming all my time right now and for the next 4 weeks. Let's talk when I'm done.

Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com

-----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tue Mar 19 11:14:28 2002
Subject: HI Susan

It was great to have Karl there on Sunday. Thanks for setting that up. I was wondering when you and I are going to start focusing on some business. Karl said to me (totally unsolicited) "you know, some day someone is going to come to Susan and have her run a business". I said "you are looking at that someone!". We laughed that knowing laugh! Anyway, maybe we should wait for my return from Puerto Rico after Passover, but I do want you thinking about some project, even if it's not the airplane thing.

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoffj] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2002 8:31 AM
To: 'octagon1'
Subject: RE: Sunday

I was sitting yesterday with Karl Rove, Bush's top advisor, at the NCAA basketball game, discussing Israel when this email came in. I showed it to him. It seems that the President was very sad to have to come out negatively regarding Israel, but that they needed to mollify the Arabs for the upcoming war on Iraq. That did not seem to work anyway. Bush seems to love Sharon and Israel, and thinks Arabfat, is nothing but a liar. I thought I'd pass that on.

-----Original Message-----

From: octagon1 [mailto:]
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2002 10:13 AM
To: abramoff []
Subject: Sunday

BH

Jack, my brother, Two more attacks today.
Suicide bomber in French Hill, killed one wounded 33
then three terrorists open up machine gun fire into a
group of high school students leaving school wounding 13.

I hope this guy Zinni gets the message.

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GTIAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2002 7:18 PM
To: Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Get anything interesting

Not really, just touched base on all issues and he's set to help us when we need it. we
chatted about Jena and I told him about all the help the tribes are providing. He's a
great guy. Told me anytime we need something just let him know through susan.

-----Original Message-----

From: Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2002 7:43 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Get anything interesting

Out of rove?
Tony Rudy

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2002 6:06 PM
To: 'Susan Ralston - @GWB'
Subject: RE: tix to NCAA

No problem. The face value is \$50/ticket. The check should be payable to me personally.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2002 5:54 PM
To: abramoff [redacted]
Subject: Re: tix to NCAA

One more thing, Karl has to pay for his tickets so let me know if chk is payable to someone else other than yourself.

Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to ralston@georgewbush.com

-----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [redacted]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wed Mar 13 11:44:55 2002
Subject: tix to NCAA

The suite tix are not here yet, but I understand they don't have a face price. The arena tix we obtained (lower than the suite) have \$50 on them. hope this helps.

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2002 9:08 AM
To: Boznjak, Allison R. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm)
Subject: FW: Karl

Do we have the tickets? What is the face value on it? reply to me only.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2002 9:59 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Karl

What's the face value of the tix?
Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com -----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB <sralston@georgewbush.com>
Sent: Wed Mar 13 09:49:19 2002
Subject: RE: Karl

I see from Allison that he is coming on Sunday. Those will be the more interesting games anyway. Hope you are well.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2002 6:28 AM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Karl

Actually, I realize he may have a conflict Fri night. What time is the afternoon game? He won't get back to DC from his trip until 5p Susan Ralston

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From: abramoff [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tue Mar 12 22:12:44 2002
Subject: RE: Karl

Done. does he want to go Friday night or Friday afternoon, or both?

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2002 9:12 PM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Karl

Karl is interested in Fri and Sun. 3 tickets for his family? Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com -----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tue Mar 12 20:00:02 2002
Subject: Karl

Hi Susan. I just saw Karl at the KOMPAC reception and mentioned the NCAA opportunity, which he was really jazzed about. If he wants to join us in the Pollin box, please let me know as soon as you can, since it's filling up. The invite is good for others who might want to come as well. I have some in the arena as well. Regards.

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Wednesday, June 05, 2002 4:12 PM
To: 'Susan Ralston - @GWB'
Subject: RE: Orioles, fri 6/7

Unfortunately the tickets have been gone for a while. Any other game of interest?

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 05, 2002 3:16 PM
To: abramoff [redacted]
Subject: Orioles, fri 6/7

Do you have 3 tix for orioles this friday for chris henick, kr's deputy?

Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to ralston@georgewbush.com

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, June 10, 2002 3:39 PM
To: 'Susan Ralston - @GWB'
Subject: RE: Andrea bocelli

Intern. My assistant situation is in flux. Ilisa is on her way out. Allison is good and staying. I have hired someone new, but she does not start for a week. I'm in hell!!! :)

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Monday, June 10, 2002 4:34 PM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Andrea bocelli

Yes I talked w/ him. New assistant?

Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com

-----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [REDACTED]
To: Susan Ralston - @GWB <sralston@georgewbush.com>
Sent: Mon Jun 10 16:33:19 2002
Subject: RE: Andrea bocelli

Just got to this one. I asked Maury to call you a few minutes ago since we are sending something to you guys, and I told him to put in the tickets, but call you to see if you need parking. Do you?

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Monday, June 10, 2002 3:04 PM
To: abramoff [REDACTED]
Subject: Andrea bocelli

Just confirming that you still have me down for 2 seats to Sat's concert. Look forward to it! Hope all is well.

Susan Ralston

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From: Wilson, Padgett (AsterDir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, February 06, 2001 2:45 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov); Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Slomowitz, Alan (Shld-DC-Legis)
Cc: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Thursday Meetings for Tim Martin and Letter Assignments

Also 2:00 with [REDACTED] Chief of Staff.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, February 06, 2001 3:19 PM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Slomowitz, Alan (Shld-DC-Legis); Wilson, Padgett (AsterDir-DC-Gov)
Cc: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Thursday Meetings for Tim Martin and Letter Assignments

Pat has set up a meeting with Sen. [REDACTED] staff at 3 PM. Please take note.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, February 06, 2001 3:17 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Slomowitz, Alan (Shld-DC-Legis); Wilson, Padgett (AsterDir-DC-Gov)
Cc: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Thursday Meetings for Tim Martin and Letter Assignments

The Freemyer meeting with Tim Martin is set for 4:15PM on Thursday.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, February 06, 2001 1:44 PM
To: Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Slomowitz, Alan (Shld-DC-Legis); Wilson, Padgett (AsterDir-DC-Gov); Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Cc: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov); Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Thursday Meetings for Tim Martin and Letter Assignments
Importance: High

Member/staff meetings and letters:

[REDACTED] - Wilson
[REDACTED] - Wilson
[REDACTED] - Rudy
[REDACTED] - Rudy
[REDACTED] - Boulanger/Ring
[REDACTED] - Ring
[REDACTED] - Vasell
[REDACTED] - Vasell
[REDACTED] - Boulanger
[REDACTED] - Boulanger

Just letters:

[REDACTED] - Slomowitz
[REDACTED] - Rudy
[REDACTED] - Rudy
[REDACTED] - Rudy
[REDACTED] - Rudy

Other assignments from meeting: J. Abramoff/S. Ralston can get Tim's name to Rove (Jack, I believe you have already given it to Rove and Reed); Jim Miller to get Tim's materials to Norton and Waidman (Kevin has requested this from Jim/I will also make the request of him/Kevin has already sent to Waidman); Tony will contact Melman regarding Tim.

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2001 9:03 AM
To: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: FW: OIA

Anything we can find out about the guy. Jack is in turbo request mode.

-----Original Message-----

From: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2001 10:02 AM
To: 'ring [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: FW: OIA

I'm outside picking up some breakfast. I'll be in in less than 10 mins. What kind of stuff do you need?

Padgett Wilson

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov) [REDACTED]
To: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov) <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thu Aug 23 09:30:39 2001
Subject: FW: OIA

Are you in? I need as much info on this guy ASAP!!!!

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2001 9:26 AM
To: 'ring [REDACTED]
Subject: Fw: OIA

Here's the guy. Let's get drilling.
Jack Abramoff

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [REDACTED] Ralston@rnchq.org>
To: 'abramoff [REDACTED]
CC: 'lane [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu Aug 23 09:18:23 2001
Subject: OIA

Clark Dean Horvath
Counterpart International inc
Worked for Ford, Carter, and Reagan at AID, SBA and Cost of Living Council

Susan Ralston

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From: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 04, 2002 1:35 PM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: dave matthews band

Are there any tickets left?

And as for DOJ staffers, those guys should get anything they want for the rest of the time they are in office – opening day tickets, Skins v Giants, oriental massages, hookers, whatever...

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 04, 2002 2:32 PM
To: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: dave matthews band

A what? I have the suite filling up with DOJ staffers that just got our client \$16 million. Come to the show, baby.

-----Original Message-----

From: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 04, 2002 2:31 PM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: dave matthews band

You are officially a ticket hoard. You go to everything, damnit. Didn't your doctor say you can't listen to that kind of music in your condition...

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 04, 2002 2:29 PM
To: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: dave matthews band

Damn straight.

-----Original Message-----

From: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 04, 2002 2:29 PM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: dave matthews band

Are you going to the concert?

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 04, 2002 2:29 PM
To: Wilson, Padgett (AstDir-DC-Gov)

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From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2001 6:20 AM
To: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov); Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Wilson, Padgett (AsDir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Shawn

I see Rove Thursday and should know more then.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 11:33 PM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Wilson, Padgett (AsDir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Shawn

I will ask Chad Calvert about Tim tomorrow when I call about Zach. Any other ideas? Also, Tim can be in DC on Thursday if we think it is necessary. He will already be in DC for meetings on Wednesday for USET and is prepared to stay and extra day. This is why we need to know his status at the WH.

Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 5:08 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Wilson, Padgett (AsDir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Shawn

If Rehberg's guy was around, I would have him call the [REDACTED] person at WH personnel to follow-up and ask about Tim. Can someone in [REDACTED] or someone else's shop do that?

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 4:33 PM
To: Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov); Wilson, Padgett (AsDir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Shawn

Do we know who [REDACTED] is? The name is familiar but I cannot place it. Also, Ginger Gregory with Nick Calio told me this weekend that she saw Tim's name in an email that said Bush was going to nominate Tim. How do we track this down without compromising Ginger. I will be in touch with her again soon on this but want to know if we can get this confirmed from other sources.

-----Original Message-----

From: Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 4:29 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Shawn

We might have a real competitor against Martin. Apparently some are pushing [REDACTED] I don't think he wants it

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 4:27 PM
To: Plocki, Julie (AdmAsst-DC-Legis); DCGOVAffs
Subject: RE: Shawn

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2003 3:22 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Overtime for non-exempt persons

No, that doesn't work. I guess we will just have to find another time.

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2003 11:57 AM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Overtime for non-exempt persons

I have the Rove dinner at Grover's tonight, but we could meet after that if you guys want. Your call.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2003 10:39 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Fw: Overtime for non-exempt persons

This is stuff I am now dealing with as quasi-team leader. I still am anxious for the 3 of us to meet and talk about team issues. Unfortunately, I am with clients from 11 to 5 today. But soon, please.

-----Original Message-----

From: Schutt, Christine (Mgr-DC/TCO-GenAdm) <[REDACTED]>
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov) <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tue May 06 09:58:56 2003
Subject: Overtime for non-exempt persons

Brigham Pierce just turned in 6 weeks of overtime. Can you talk to him about submitting on a weekly basis or at maximum every other week. I now have to go back and indicate if any days were off etc. so it is a lot of extra work that can be avoided.

Brigham is aware of the need to turn in each week, he has received various e-mails. If you could help - thanks.

From: Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 8:42 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov);
Leger, Stephanie K. (Assoc-DC-Gov/Adm)
[REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is meeting with Rove on Tuesday. This meeting is confirmed. Just an fyi. If there are any ways to "bolster" Mehlman before that time, than we should do it.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston - @GWB [mailto:[REDACTED]Ralston@rnchq.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 9:35 AM
To: boulange [REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED]

Thanks for breakfast. I showed KR the binder and gave him a quick brief so he is aware. He gave the binder to Mehlman to read cover to cover and to be prepared. Mehlman will be at the meeting.

Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to sralston@georgewbush.com

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2004 3:07 PM
To: Bowers, Holly M. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm)
Cc: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov/Adm)
Subject: RE: Caps - Tues, 2/3

I'm going to see Shawn on Thursday. You can give them to him. Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: bowers [mailto:bowers [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2004 12:44 PM
To: sralston@georgewbush.com
Subject: RE: Caps - Tues, 2/3

Hi Susan. Would you like me to send these tickets to your home?

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2004 8:53 AM
To: Susan Ralston
Cc: Bowers, Holly M. (AdmAst-DC-Gov/Adm)
Subject: RE: Caps - Tues, 2/3

No problem, and you don't have to pay! :-). Holly, please get these for Susan. 121a's.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:sralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2004 8:36 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Caps - Tues, 2/3

Any chance I could get 2 tickets on the ice for a very dear friend of mine? Willing to pay.

Thanks.

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From: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, February 06, 2001 12:44 PM
To: Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov); Boulanger, Todd (Dir-DC-Gov); Slomowitz, Alan (Shld-DC-Legis); Wilson, Padgett (AsDir-DC-Gov); Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Cc: Vasell, Shawn (Dir-DC-Gov); Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Thursday Meetings for Tim Martin and Letter Assignments
Importance: High

Member/staff meetings and letters:

██████████ - Wilson
██████████ - Wilson
██████████ - Rudy
██████████ - Rudy
██████████ - Boulanger/Ring
██████████ - Ring
██████████ - Vasell
██████████ - Vasell
██████████ - Boulanger
██████████ - Boulanger

Just letters:

██████████ - Slomowitz
██████████ - Rudy
██████████ - Rudy
██████████ - Rudy
██████████ - Rudy

Other assignments from meeting: J. Abramoff/S. Raiston can get Tim's name to Rove (Jack, I believe you have already given it to Rove and Reed); Jim Miller to get Tim's materials to Norton and Waidman (Kevin has requested this from Jim/I will also make the request of him/Kevin has already sent to Waidman); Tony will contact Melman regarding Tim.

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2003 4:09 PM
To: John Ring (E-mail)
Subject: FW: John Ring

-----Original Message-----

From: Jack Oliver [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2003 5:05 PM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: John Ring

we are getting push back from inside we are finding out why

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2003 10:04 AM
To: Jack Oliver
Subject: John Ring

Back again. His name came up for an appointment as chair of the Federal Salary Council. Seemed like slam dunk. It's a good job for my brother given his labor background and should be fine with Dems given his Teamsters work. Well, just heard through 3rd party that Schlapp (maybe Rove) are getting "push back". Not sure if it is coming from right or left, but I just wanted to make you aware and if you talk to someone over there, let 'em know my brother is solid and will serve. 43 well. Thanks as always.

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From: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2003 6:49 AM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: 2 favors (and no pardon requests)

I don't know. Frank should press KR since he's staying at his home right now.

Susan Ralston

Please send all replies to [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]

-----Original Message-----

From: ring [mailto:ring@georgewbush.com]
To: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Mon Jan 27 17:40:54 2003
Subject: RE: 2 favors (and no pardon requests)

Thanks a lot. Who is pushing back? Do you know? Let me know if there is anything I can do.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Monday, January 27, 2003 4:21 PM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: 2 favors (and no pardon requests)

- (1) According to Schlapp, they've "pushed back" on your brother but we're still pressing on it.
- (2) Correspondence got my request but they've asked to have Counsel review before they proceed.

-----Original Message-----

From: [mailto:ring@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Monday, January 27, 2003 2:53 PM
To: Susan Ralston
Subject: 2 favors (and no pardon requests)

(1) Turns out my brother isn't sure Karl signed off on his appointment as Chairman of the Federal Salary Council or not. I am trying to figure out where it stands. Can you ask around when you get a moment?

(2) Do you know if correspondence dept is able to do that letter for our Atlanta partner?

Thanks. Let's grab lunch soon.

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From: Gibson, Duane R. (Shld-DC-Gov/Adm)
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2002 3:41 PM
To: Matt Schlapp (E-mail)
Subject: Corps Assistant Secretary



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works)detail...

Matt--this is a resume of a friend of mine, Lee Forsgren, who is up for the Assistant Secretary of the Army having responsibility over the civil works program at the Corps of Engineers.

Several Members and Senators have endorsed Lee, and he is an exceptional candidate who knows the wetlands and civil works program very, very well.

If his candidacy advances to your office, you guys would be wise to select Lee. He is a solid Republican and would represent the President's interests very well--substantively and politically.

Hope all is well. By the way, last week I was in the Miami-Dade office building of all places representing one of our clients--the Mayor!

Duane R. Gibson
Greenberg Trautig
800 Connecticut Ave. N.W.
Suite 500
Washington, D.C. 20006
[REDACTED] (Phone)
[REDACTED] (Fax)

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoff] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, October 18, 2001 9:18 AM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Do Not Endorse Juan Babauta (CNMI)

Great.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Thursday, October 18, 2001 9:37 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: FW: Do Not Endorse Juan Babauta (CNMI)

I think I told one, but not both of you.... Jack is going to sit on this. He obviously was the one getting asked to push for this. We should be all set. He will be able to run out the clock. And if something changes, he will call.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jack Oliver [mailto:jack [REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2001 5:04 PM
To: ring [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Do Not Endorse Juan Babauta (CNMI)

thansk

----- Original Message -----

From: <ring [REDACTED]>
To: <jack [REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2001 4:05 PM
Subject: Do Not Endorse Juan Babauta (CNMI)

> PLEASE!!! Juan Babauta is a snake running for Governor of the
> Commonwealth
> of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI). He is trying to get the White
> House
> to write him a letter of endorsement. You should not do it.
>
> Ben Fitiaf was head of the Bush for President campaign in the CNMI.
> He is
> a
> lifelong GOPer who only recently decided to run for Governor on the
> Covenant
> Party line after Babauta got the nomination (the good GOP Lt. Gov. who
> was supposed to be the GOP candidate dropped out of the GOP primary;
> otherwise,
> Ben would have run against Babauta in that primary).
>
> All of the House Republicans - [REDACTED]
> [REDACTED] - have endorsed Fitiaf. No Republicans have endorsed
> Babauta.
> He criticized the past CNMI governor for working with Republicans in
> Congress. He supports all of the Democrat proposals for the CNMI,
> including
> raising the minimum wage, etc.
>
> We are sharing this message with you, Mehlman, and others because we
> know Babauta is pushing to get an endorsement. Don't do it.
>

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Sunday, December 07, 2003 10:20 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Diet

Karl said you looked great. He'd love to know your secret.

-----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [redacted]
Sent: Fri 12/5/2003 12:28 PM
To: Susan Ralston
Cc:
Subject: RE: Iraqi bonds project

Thanks. Just saw Karl at the event in Baltimore.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Ralston [mailto:ralston@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Friday, December 05, 2003 12:02 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Iraqi bonds project

I'll f/u w/ NSC. They haven't gotten back to me yet on the first email.

-----Original Message-----

From: abramoff [redacted]
Sent: Friday, December 05, 2003 10:16 AM
To: Ralston@rncq.org
Subject: Iraqi bonds project

Hi Susan,

As a follow up to the email I sent you last month on this, the American Bondholders Foundation (ABF) is in the process of signing a ten year deal with representatives of the Iraqi Governing Council. It should be done in the next few days. The deal would exchange \$100 billion in Chinese Government bearer bonds for \$2 billion in Iraqi oil each year for ten years. The Iraqis would use the bonds to set-off a \$100 billion in debt that Iraq owes to the PRC.

The ABF is holding open until mid-night on December 15, 2003, the same deal to the US Government. If the White House does this ten year deal by mid-night on December 15, 2003, the USG would receive approximately \$6 billion. However, if the White House fails to enter into the agreement by mid night on December 15, 2003, the US Government would lose the opportunity to secure any funds from the sale of ABF's Chinese bonds to Iraq.

Needless to say, having these extra funds available would be a huge help to the Administration, but the WH would have to make a decision on this immediately. We heard that James Baker is now in charge of Iraqi debt. Not sure if that is accurate, but if so, I hope the transition would not impede the possibility that the USG would get these funds. I have the ten year contracts and can forward them to you if needed. Please let me know if this is doable.

Thanks,

Jack

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 1:01 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov); Rudy, Tony (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: OIA -- Political briefing



Office of Insular
Affairs memo...

Attached is a short briefing paper on the OIA position to use with the White House political guys. Tony needs to get a memo to someone there today. Jack is meeting with Rove on Thursday.

I thought putting this down would be helpful for us to lay out as succinctly as possible what OIA does, why the position is important, and why Zach - and not the others - should get this job. I NEED YOU BOTH TO REVIEW THIS DRAFT ASAP, so I can make certain I get all of our arguments in. What is it missing? What should be taken out, etc?

Office of Insular Affairs: Desperately in Need of a
Compassionate Conservative

WHAT IS IT?

The Office of Insular Affairs (OIA) in the Interior Department is responsible for coordinating federal policy for the territories, e.g. Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), and the freely associated states, e.g. Republic of Marshall Islands. The stated mission of the OIA is to assist the islands in developing more efficient and effective government, and to serve as a focal point for the management of relations between the United States and the islands.

The OIA is a place that has the potential to be a beacon of compassionate conservatism - or a miserable headache for the new Administration. The simple fact is that, although many on the mainland do not spend a great deal of time thinking about OIA, island politics are very intense and fraught with danger. Every shift in federal policy (and even statements that reveal a potential shift) is scrutinized closely and debated vigorously.

WHAT HAS HAPPENED?

During the Clinton Administration, OIA was marked by anti-Republican political scandal. The Interior Department IG testified before the House Resources Committee in July 2000 that his investigation of OIA had uncovered the "most egregious example I've seen" in 30 years of law enforcement experience of official misconduct. The IG found officials had taken part in "partisan political activity", engaged "in a lobbying campaign", and "improperly" obtained and disclosed information about Members of Congress and political opponents - all on official time and through the use of U.S. government equipment.

On the policy front, the OIA has failed to initiate or advocate policies that will make the U.S. territories more self-sufficient. Instead, the territories and freely associated states have become even more dependent on Washington. This increasing dependency has created resentments in the islands, as well as on the mainland. The clamor over Vieques (Puerto Rico) is just the latest high-profile case in which U.S. citizens in the territories are pitted against U.S. citizens in the mainland.

WHAT IS NEEDED NOW?

The OIA needs a compassionate conservative at the helm. The next OIA Director should be someone who can relate to the plight of the people living in the territories because he or she has lived there among them. The job should go to someone who understands the Bush-Cheney Administration's vision of self-sufficiency and local autonomy for the islands.

Of the candidates currently under consideration for OIA Director, only one can implement that vision: Mark Zachares. Mark is a compassionate conservative who has lived and traveled in the territories for nearly a decade. He understands

the important issues. His knowledge and empathy earned him such respect and support in his adopted home of the CNMI that he was chosen to be the first non-indigenous Director of Labor and Immigration in the CNMI. It should be noted that Mark's interest in the islands is not strictly professional; his wife is a proud Chamorro.

None of the other candidates mentioned for the post comes close to matching Mark's credentials or philosophy. Of the two other candidates floated, one has served as a loyal Democrat staffer in the House and Senate. The other is a strong McCain supporter from Hawaii, home of the activist labor unions that have provoked much of the discord between the territories and the mainland. Either of these candidates will turn the OIA into an unnecessary and unmitigated disaster for the new Administration.

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov) [/o=GT LAW/ou=WDC/cn=Recipients/cn=abramoffj] on behalf of Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, August 28, 2001 7:42 PM
To: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Jodey Arrington

Did you read this discussion as though we have problems?

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (Shld-DC-Gov)
Sent: Tuesday, August 28, 2001 5:28 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: Jodey Arrington
Importance: High

I just had a 10-minute conversation with him. It is clear that we are out in the open lobbying for Zach because Jodey asked me at one point if I knew you. I said yes, and then he asked if we worked for the garment manufacturers in CNMI. I said yes, in addition to the government.

We talked a bit about the proper philosophy for the territories. I told him our guys were good Republicans who thought the federal government should leave them alone and should only work to foster self-sufficiency, not dependency. He said that was their number one goal for the position.

He ran the Radewagen's name by me. I dumped on him for being old school and a colonialist that would preserve the status quo. He asked me about "Houston" but couldn't remember his first name. I said I was not familiar with his record. He said he was insular affairs under Reagan. I said that I was afraid someone who served previously would not bring the new perspective needed.

He said, "I assume you guys are high on Mark Zachares." I said we were and asked if he was a finalist. He said that he definitely is and that, like all of the candidates, he had his positives and negatives. He said he was absolutely qualified.

Jodey closed by saying they he was trying to be objective and that instilling self-sufficiency was their highest priority. All in all, I don't know how I feel. I guess no different than before he called. I still think we have a good shot at it. We need to figure out who else could weigh in.

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